BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-301-E - ORDER NO. 97-1031

DECEMBER 9, 1997

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Complainants,

vs.

Pee Dee Electric Cooperative, Inc.,

Respondent.

ORDER
GRANTING
RECONSIDERATION

CLARIFICATION

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Petition for Reconsideration and/or Rehearing of Commission Order No. 97-975 filed by counsel on behalf of Hartsville H.M.A., Inc. (Hartsville). Hartsville states that Order No. 97-975 held that discovery, prefiling dates, and the Commission hearing shall be held in abeyance until the Circuit Court rules on the merits of the case at the Circuit Court level. Hartsville's Petition alleges that this was a scrivener's error and/or inadvertence, and that the actual oral ruling of the Commission was that these matters would be held in abeyance only until the Circuit Court issues its Order on the Motion for Reconsideration filed by Pee Dee Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Pee Dee) of the Court's prior

Order requiring Pee Dee to exhaust its administrative remedies before this Commission regarding electric service rights in this matter.

We have examined the record in this case, and agree that Order No. 97-975 contained the scrivener's error pointed out by Hartsville H.M.A., Inc. Our true intent was that discovery, pre-filing dates, and the Commission hearing should be held in abeyance only until the Circuit Court issues its Order with regard to the Motion for Reconsideration filed by Pee Dee at the Circuit Court level. We hereby grant reconsideration and clarification of this matter as requested by Hartsville, and hold as stated herein.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Executive Direc

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